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POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

No girl's face is in it with a retouched photograph.
Some second thoughts occur several minutes later.
Many a man who doesn't take water has to be bailed out.
Playing the fool is said to be a universal accomplishment.
Somehow a deaf man can hear an invitation to take a drink.
Too much of the milk of human kindness savors of the pump.
You can tell how well heeled a man is by the size of his shoes.
The longer you keep whiskey, the better it is—and the better you are.
In after years, the girl with auburn tresses becomes a red-haired wife.
The meaning of an epigram is concealed by the brilliant effect it produces.
It's pretty tough when a man can't even get credit for his good intentions.
A girl's idea of an industrious young man is one who is too busy to propose.
One kind of charity is the giving of exercise for the faults of people we dislike.
Never judge of a man's reputation for truthfulness by what he says when he is in love.
Three days after marriage a woman tries to swap her romantic ideas for a cook book.
The truthfulness of what a man says doesn't always depend on the amount of noise he makes in saying it.
One might as well look forward hopefully to the future. There's always a chance for an improvement in the weather.
Some people who pretend to tell the truth for the truth's sake merely tell it because it shows their neighbors up in a bad light.

GENERAL NEWS

Money doesn't always bring happiness, but most of us are willing to take chances.
In the Province of Ontario there are now 30 places under Local Option. Six under the old "Dunkin' Act" and 114 where no licenses have been applied for owing to sparsely settled territory or other causes.
The department of Trade and Commerce has decided to issue weekly reports hereafter. These will contain the reports of commercial agents in all parts of the Empire, and in foreign countries, and will be distributed to Canadian merchants and manufacturers promptly.
It is said that in this community there is a family whose hobby is to borrow everything and anything. The other day one of the children went to a neighbor's house and asked for the loan of a washtub and the answer she received was rather perplexing, which is as follows: "No, I can't; the hoops are all off, the bottom is out and it's full of water."
We are credibly informed that all reports to the contrary notwithstanding, there is to be a spring this year; it, therefore, appears to be our clear duty to warn the unobservant citizen that he is called upon to observe the unwritten provisions of his own private Ditches and Watercourses Act. The most unobservant citizen in town must have observed with some regret that the authorities at the Observatory have surveyed, as they themselves would say, more mucous weather than has been their habit for years. Corrugated palms and bronchial ailments, the former resulting from operating the snow shovel, the latter caused by being compelled to go out of doors, are signs and tokens that should convince the most sceptical that this has been a hard winter.
Farmers are advised to examine the corn they intend to use for seed, the coming season and test it to make sure it will grow. A well known farmer states that about 45 years ago Canada passed through just such a summer and winter as the past and the next season a large amount of the corn sown failed to grow. He argues that on account of the wet season last season most of the corn did not mature properly and some put away in cobs was still quite soft. The severe weather he argues, has killed the germs in much of the corn and its failure to sprout will be the first knowledge that some will have that the corn will not grow. He advises the farmers to test the seed by putting it in dirt and setting it under the stove for four or five days or a week, when it should sprout. Anyone having 1001 corn should use it this year for seed. The above is well worthy of full consideration.

No one ever saw a topeo Indian with a cold or a cough. Nature will cure you if you are not a coward. Tuberculosis can perform its deadly work in the open air, though perhaps not so rapidly, as indoors—Indian or no Indian.
Judgment was given in the Assize Court, Toronto, on Tuesday of last week before Chief Justice Meredith, against the Toronto Industrial Exhibition for injuries received by Edna Flynn in the collapse of the rattle-dazzle at last year's fair. The child got \$200, the father was awarded \$150 for doctors' bills. This judgment furnishes the important lesson that Directors and managers of Fall Fairs throughout the country must take care, in future, that substantial security be taken from rattle-dazzle and merry-go-round proprietors to cover this sort of liability, before allowing them to set up their machinery on exhibition grounds.
Under power conferred by Statute the Post Office Department has decided to institute a system of insurance of inland registered letters. The maximum amount to be insured will not exceed \$25. The insurance fee for \$10 will be 3 cents; for \$15, 4 cents; for \$20, 5 cents; and for \$25, 6 cents. In addition, of course, the full postage and registered charges must be paid. Coins, articles of gold and silver, precious stones, jewellery and other articles of value must be put in strong boxes in accordance with directions furnished by postmasters, or in envelopes, with directions furnished by postmasters. Envelopes with black or colored borders may not be used for registered or insured letters.
To speak of Russia's "relentless aim" by irresistible glacial movement to be the dominant ruler of Asia, is called nonsense by a relentless American critic. What is the use of being "relentless" if you can't raise a paper-rouble in any pawnbroker shop in Europe to pay for your beans, beef and coffee? Where is the force of a glacier which must operate over the Trans-Siberian railroad, with corruption for ballast and a single track of rails which the New York Central wouldn't use for a siding at a milk station? How is the domination of the world to be attained by a nation which cannot keep its own people from starvation, and dares not let them read the newspaper? Suppose Japan choose to be relentless, also. Between the relentlessness of Russia and the relentlessness of Japan, most observers will prefer the latter. It goes farther and shoots straighter.